

that it is all the more peculiar, to find
well-known, vanished choir. Mr. Abernethy
singers that in a book so unimpeachably
home-inspired, there should be so much
that is individual. As William Thorne sings
in it—

A selfish haire on every word,
A wick on life's hour—
A sang is might, from a sung bird,
A sigh from every flower—

A FRIEND OF SCOTT.

Tablets have been erected in Newton-
Stewart and Castle Douglas to the memory
of Joseph Train, Excise Officer, author,
and antiquary. By force of will and
great acquirements, Train, who was born in
humble circumstances, gave himself a wide
education, produced some good literary
work, and through his "Strains of the
Mountain Muse" gained the friendship of
Sir Walter Scott. He supplied much material
to Scott which was embodied in the
Waverley novels.

REVIEWS.

Brother and Sister, by L. T. MEADE,
London, Geo. Bell and Sons.

Mrs Meade for once is not very convincing. The subject she discusses in her new novel, is the deceased wife's sister act and she appears to favour the extreme position taken against the act by the more bigotted members of the Anglican priesthood. Sir Austen Grayes falls in love with his deceased's wife's sister several years after his first wife's death, and this so scandalises his brother-in-law, the incumbent of the family living, that most diabolical manoeuvres are resorted to, to prevent the marriage. But it comes off nevertheless and the rector resigns his comfortable living in a southern county and takes his wife and children to starve in Huddersfield. Sir Austen, and Ruth, his innocent minded wife, spend an idyllic year abroad. Then what against the baronet's wishes they return home and Ruth by a series of terrible experiences at the hall, in the village, and at Huddersfield is made to realise that she has committed an unpardonable sin in marrying her dead sister's husband. The shock is too much for her sensitive nature, and she dies, leaving the Rector in a much chastened frame of mind and Sir Austen

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

<p>CHIEF MANAGER</p> <p>Hongkong, J. R. M. SMITH</p> <p>MANAGER</p>	<p>Manager</p> <p>Hongkong, April 28, 1902</p>
---	--

per annum. The cost is approximately \$1000.00.

The flats are not built upon, are navigable and can be at once utilized for the erection of buildings.

For Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to the undersigned.

HUGHES & HUGHES
Sole Agents for the Straits Settlements and F.M.S.
Hongkong, August 28, 1909.

Sold by all *Chemists and Patent*
Medicine Vendors throughout
 the *World*
 Ask for
CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE
 and receive *workings of* *Iron and Quinine*

Personal Bills discounted. Special facilities
 for Russian exchange. Foreign exchange,
 the principal class of the world bought
 and sold.
 G. B. ADAMSON, Manager
 HONGKONG BRANCH
 PRINCE OF WALES BUILDINGS
 Hongkong, July 15, 1902.

balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months	at 4 per cent per annum.
For 6 "	4 per cent per annum.
For 3 "	3 per cent per annum.

MR. T. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
ROBINSON.
W. M. ANDERSON,
 Manager.

LOZENGES
CURE THE VOICES IN

Order before you leave so you may receive
it while at Home.

THE CHINA MAIL, LTD.
5, WYNDHAM STREET



KEATING'S

LOZENGES

CURE THE VOICE

POWELL'S

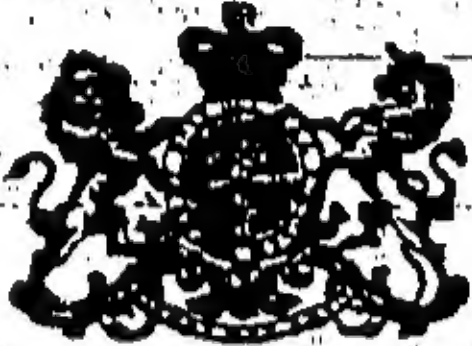
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

FOR
SMART
FOOTWEAR.

The 'GIBSON'

White Canvas
Shoe,
Covered Louis
Heel,
Silk Tie.

IN ALL SIZES.

A. S. WATSON
& Co., Ltd.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

WATSON'S

E

VERY OLD LIQUEUR

SCOTCH

WHISKY

A Blend of the Finest Pure

Malt Whiskies distilled in
Scotland.

OF

GENUINE AGE

AND

FINE MELLOW
FLAVOUR.

PER DOZEN.....\$16.50.

Robert Porter & Co.'s

BULL DOG

BRAND

Guinness' Stout

In PINTS AND SPLITS

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED,

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

VICTORIA CINEMATOGRAF.

PREMIER HALL OF HONGKONG.

Two Performances

7.15 to 9 and 9.15 to 11.15 p.m.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME

Every Two Days

MAGNIFICENT FILMS

THE PHILIP SISTERS

MADAME HARRISON

MATINEES

SEPTEMBER 10 and 11, 1909

- CALL -

AT

'MOUTRIES'

FOR

The Piano

36 Years

Experience.

Satisfaction

Guaranteed.

S. MOUTRIE & CO., LD.

HONGKONG, APRIL 14, 1907.

BUSINESS NOTICE.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION

(Payable in advance).

CHINA MAIL (daily), \$1.00 per month

including postage, \$3.50 per month

OVERLAND CHINA MAIL (weekly) \$15.00

per year, including postage, \$17.00

Free delivery to all addresses accessible

by messenger, including all Peak, Kowloon

and Quarry Bay residences.

Single copies, Daily, ten cents; Weekly,

thirty cents; for cash.

Telegraphic Address, "Mail," Hongkong,

Code, A. B. C., fifth edition.

Telephone No. 25.

CHINA MAIL, LIMITED.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lamert's

Sales Rooms.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the

Public Works Department's Office.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, September 7.

11 a.m.—Auction of Old and Condensed

Stew at the Central Police Station.

WEDNESDAY, September 8.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, &c., at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's

Sales Rooms.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture at No. 13, Morrison Hill Road.

SATURDAY, September 11.

11 a.m.—Meeting of China Light & Power

Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

3 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co.,

Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

MONDAY, September 13.

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's

Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.

TUESDAY, September 14.

9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Cricket

League at Hongkong Cricket Club.

THURSDAY, September 30.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Lease-

hold Land at Shamen, Canton.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 4, 1909.

SIDELIGHTS ON SCOTTISH

HISTORY.

This monument rooms of the old Scottish

nobility and the principal gentry of the

Northern kingdom, like their counter-

parts in England, are furnishing the

Historical Manuscripts Commission with

a wealth of good material throwing

valuable sidelights on the history of the

land and its people as well as of its Kings,

Queens and Princes. Just recently a

volume has been issued based on the

records taken from the family papers of

Sir Archibald Edmonstone of Dunbreath,

Sir John James Graham of Fintry, and

Colonel Monmouth Hay of Duns Castle.

Of these Scottish papers the most

interesting from the point of view of

general history are probably those

belonging to the Edmonstone family.

In these are included many letters and

documents relating to State and inter-

national affairs. One of the most val-

uable from our present point of view

is an order by King James IV., dated

Edinburgh, July 18th, 1513, in which

he requests his beloved cousin, Wil-

liam, Lord Livingston, to send some of

his young men to France to assist the

French King in his wars. The terms of

the order are curious. "For as much,"

it begins, "as we write to you before,

like as we did to the late of the

barons of our realm, to furnish certain

able young men well fitted to pass in

our ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

before, this we now write to you, that

you shall send to France, to assist the

French King in his wars, some of your

young men, well fitted to pass in our

ships with our army to help of our

army, and as we have written to you

upon us to desire in this public man-

ner our personal concern for their suffer-

ings." The closing paragraph, there-

fore, is a beautiful expression of the

Stuart's faith in the Bourbon's, really

learned something by their twenty years

of exile. "We promise upon the word

of a King," writes James, "that upon our

first accession to the crown, we will so

refer the state of the Nation under all

its heads of grievance to a free Parlia-

ment, that you shall have nobody to

blame, if the least article should be

wanting to your future security and

happiness."

In the Hay papers State and inter-

national matters are less prominent.

The collection, however, contains many

documents which throw illuminating

beams upon the history of old families

whose estates were by or near the

Tweed; while it is particularly rich in

anecdotes of municipal life in the older

days. The latter feature of this collec-

tion is illustrated by a quaint document,

dated 1724, in which a complaint is

made by one John Gray, bailie of the

burgh and barony of Duns, of "tumults"

which arose on Easter eve consequent

on "all the idle people" being "con-

venced by tuck of drum to play at

football, which did always end and de-

termine in the effusion of blood among

the inhabitants." In the year men-

tioned the bailie ordered the drum to be

lodged in his own house, so that it

might not furnish the inhabitants to

their riotous sport; but, notwithstanding

this precaution, the football players were

in no way intimidated in their game,

and played it all the same. When the

game was concluded, "they fell a fight-

ing and beating and bleeding of one

another; but at length went into one

common concert to go in a body and

seize by force the drum in the said Mr

John Gray's house." This curious

document, which records many more

violent deeds done by these con-

tinacious football players, concludes

with a request for the trial of the

offenders. Five years later another and

more serious dispute broke out between

the bailie then a Mr. John Hay, and

the burghers of Duns. It arose on a

question as to the payment of a clock

and bell which had been placed in the

tower of Duns Tolbooth. The Hay

papers contain also many curious char-

acters. In an ancient instrument of

Sasine, in favour of James Tweed,

dated May 7, 1589, it is mentioned that

he holds his lands of the Crown for the

yearly payment of 415 and four blasts

NEWSPAPER OF THE DAY

The French Mail of the 2nd August

was delivered in London on the 2nd inst.

Both General Weyman and Mr. H. H.

Hartman were making bold claims for the

when the last news reached Paris.

Information has been received from

Madrid to the effect that the quarantine

restrictions imposed on arrivals from

Boulogne have been withdrawn.

From A. Fong we have received a

capital portrait group of the fifth party

given at Government House in honor of

the visit of Viceroy Yuan Shu-fan of

Canton.

Twenty-nine children died in Manila

on August 28, of whom 27 were under four

years of age. This is the largest per-

centage of juvenile deaths yet recorded in the

modern history of the city.

Mr. Lloyd George, Chancellor of the

Exchequer, has introduced a Development

Fund Bill. Its object is to enable the

Treasury to make free grants of money for

the purpose of developing forestry, agricul-

ture and rural industries, constructing and

improving harbours and canals, improving

factories and constructing new roads.

A dispute which has arisen between

the workmen and lightermen of the Port

of London and their employers, concerning

hours of work, has culminated in the men

deciding to put the question of a general

strike to a ballot. The strike, if it comes

into operation, will affect 20,000 men and

will dislocate the shipping of the Thames.

A fire occurred on board the Blue

finest steamer Theosus on July 31, as she

lay in the Royal Albert Dock. The out-

break was confined to a small area, and was

not under in about an hour. A quantity

of sails and awnings was destroyed, and

the damage is estimated at £300. The

Theosus was afterwards able to leave for

Amsterdam.

A severe earthquake has disturbed

the region of the Panama Canal. Great

damage to property and life is reported from

the Republic of Panama. The engineers

in charge of the canal report that that

waterway is not injured in the least. The

authorities were much alarmed for the canal

when the report of the quake reached

Washington before word came from the

canal engineers.

For the information of University

Authorities and for the guidance of in-

tending candidates for commissions in the

Army the Secretary of State for the

Colonies has forwarded to the Hongkong

Government copies of a memorandum

showing the special campaigns selected for

the examinations in military subjects to be

held in October 1909, March and October

1910, 1911 and

Hotels

KING EDWARD HOTEL

HIGH-CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA ROOMS.
L. PARVANA BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS.
Hot and Cold Water throughout.
Electrically Lighted.
Electric Fans (if required).
Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.
TABLE D'HOTE at SEPARATE TABLES.
Tele. Address: "VICTORIA," Hongkong.
For Terms, etc., apply to the
MANAGER.

Hongkong, October 2, 1908. 1253

'BRASSIDE'
PRIVATE HOTEL

STANDING in its own grounds, with
Tennis and Croquet Lawns, Large
Acre and Well Furnished Rooms, Every
home comfort. **Fine View of the Harbour.**
Telephone No. 680.
Apply to **Mrs F. W. WATTS,**
"Brasside," 20, Macdonnell Road.
Hongkong, September 3, 1908. 1214

VICTORIA HOTEL
SHAMKUN, CANTON.
Manager **Mr. H. HALSEY.**
 Telegraphic address : **Victoria shamkun.**
Situated on the British
Concession.

MACAO HOTEL
MACAO.
 Telegraphic address : **Farmor Macao.**
Situated in the Centre of the
Praya Grand.
 Both Hotels electrically lighted and under
 assisted European Supervision.
GUINER and COGNAC FAVORITE.
 Every Information and special attention
 to Tourists. Reasonable Rates.
Wm. FARMER, Proprietor.
 Macao, May 13. 1908. \$30

'KINGSOLERE,'
PRIVATE HOTEL
APPROACHED from Kennedy Road
and Macdonnell Road.
Tel. No. 134. Teleg. Address: 'SALOMOLA.'
A.B.C. Code, 4th Ed.
Electric light, hot and cold water throughout.
Billiards, tennis, croquet, putting
green and five stable for horses.
Proprietress, Mrs F. SAHSE
Hongkong, September 1, 1908. 1308

DR. CHAS. FONG,
DENTIST.
34, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.
ROOM No. 2, FIRST FLOOR.
(OPPOSITE POST OFFICE).
American graduate with twenty years' experience in
the practice of Dentistry, specialist for treat-
ment of tooth.
Hongkong, April 16, 1909. 530

DR. HARRY FONG,
AMERICAN TRAINED DENTIST.
ELECTRICAL and Latest Improved
Appliances.
41, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.
Hongkong, November 18 1909. 570

S I E N T I E G
Surgeon Dentist
No. 14, D'AGUIAR STREET
TERMS VERY MODERATE
Dental X-ray

**SIR ROBERT HART'S
MEMORANDUM**

**A Series of Articles on Sir Robert
Hart's Scheme for the Improvement
of China**

Bound in the Chinese, Manchu, and
English languages in pamphlet form at this Office, 5,
Wyndham Street.

PRICE 2/6

SECOND EDITION

THE HISTORY OF THE CHINESE EM-
PIRE, INDIA, BURMA, SIBERIA, THE HIMA-
LAYAN MOUNTAINS, PERSIA, TURKISTAN,
CHINA, AND JAPAN.
Translated by the SOCIETY OF THE
MISSIONARIES OF THE
EMPIRE OF THE EAST.
Translated by EDWARD HARTLEY PARKES
and
Reprinted from THE CHINESE EDITION,
Peking, 1850.

ON SALE AT THE CHINESE MALL, CORNER
OF THE GREAT BRIDGE, LONDON.

Shipping **PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON 1910.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES & LONDON,

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, & THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS to Colombo	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to Marseilles & London	Due Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due London (1 day later)
Steamer	from	Steamer	Tons	Saturday
ARGADIA 7000	Feb. 6	MALTA 11000	March 5	March 11
ASAFYE 7500	Feb. 19	CELE 1000	March 19	March 25
DELTA 7000	March 5	MALWA 11000	April 2	April 8
MARCONIA 10500	March 19	(Through steamer 1 calling at Bombay)	April 16	April 22
DEVANEA 8000	April 2	MONGOLIA 10000	April 30	May 6
ASAFYE 7500	April 16	MALMOHA 7650	May 14	May 20
DELTA 7000	April 30	MOSEA 11000	May 28	June 3
DELHI 8000	May 14	MOULTAH 10000	June 19	June 25

